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Adult Creative Writing Contest • 2026 Winners

Children's Fiction

1ST PLACE

Ana Vaqueiro

Ben Brave

2ND PLACE

Heidi R. de Contreras

Pablito and the Pony Who Cried Rivers

HONORABLE MENTION

Sara Marshall

Snow Wishes

HONORABLE MENTION

Tammra Radford

Dexter is Nosey

HONORABLE MENTION

Devin Rines

Sunny Grows

Informal Essay

1ST PLACE

Emily Williams

Death Dealer

2ND PLACE

Megan Smith

Being Late Diagnosed Means

HONORABLE MENTION

Kenyon Blunt

Another Forgettable Day

HONORABLE MENTION

Aster Meadows

Mr. Stranger

HONORABLE MENTION

JB Nicholson Hunt

Her Birthday is the Least of Her Concerns

Poetry

1ST PLACE

Hellen Wainaina

orphan tongue

2ND PLACE

Corinne Gaston

Athens, Archaic Fist of Light

HONORABLE MENTION

Scott Aycock

Forgotten

HONORABLE MENTION

Kenyon Blunt

Weather: Now With 30% More Adjectives

HONORABLE MENTION

Teresa Dodson

Rest

Short Story

1ST PLACE

Nevaeh Anderson

The Kinder Things

2ND PLACE

Cheri Patton

Pip

HONORABLE MENTION

Maranda Blankenship

Midnight at the Prairie Supermart

HONORABLE MENTION

Craig Powell

The Last Lullaby

HONORABLE MENTION

Calla Andrews

Death of a Protist

Young Adult Fiction

1ST PLACE

Calla Andrews

Alone and Forsaken

2ND PLACE

Lindsey Saunders

The Archhuman

HONORABLE MENTION

Kelley Childers Friedberg

Goin' to the Territory

HONORABLE MENTION

Allison Ray

The Dreaming